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FM AMEMBASSY TOKYO

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INFO AMEMBASSY PARIS

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TAGS: EAIR

SUBJECT: CIVAIR- JAPAN-PRC AVIATION RELATIONS

SUMMARY: IN CIVAIR DISCUSSIONS SCHEDULED TO BE HELD IN PEKING BEGINNING MARCH 13, JAPAN WILL SEEK TO NEGOTIATE RIGHT FOR JAL TO FLY BEYOND PEKING TO MIDDLE EAST AND EUROPE VIA SHORT ROUTE OVER KARAKORAM RANGE. END SUMMARY.

1. UNDER TERMS OF JAPAN-PRC TECHNICAL AVIATION AGREEMENT SIGNED IN AUGUST 1974, JAL WILL ACQUIRE RIGHT, BEGINNING APRIL 1, TO OPERATE SERVICES BEYOND PEKING TO MIDDLE EAST AND EUROPE. EXERCISE OF THIS RIGHT AS CURRENTLY FORMULATED, HOWEVER, IS LIMITED TO USE OF A RELATIVELY CIRCUITIOUS ROUTE VIA RANGOON. THIS LIMITS JAL'S ABILITY TO COMPETE WITH OTHER INTERNATIONAL CARRIERS BEYOND PRC FROM JAPAN WHICH PRC HAS AUTHORIZED TO USE SHORTER

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ROUTE VIA THE KARAKORAM RANGE. CURRENTLY, THESE IN-

CLUDE IRAN AIR, WHICH OPERATES OVER KARAKORAM ON ITS  
TOKYO-PEKING-TEHRAN SERVICE, AND PAKISTAN INTERNATIONAL  
AIRLINES (PIA), WHICH OPENED A ROUTE BETWEEN TOKYO AND  
KARACHI VIA PEKING IN MID-FEBRUARY.

2. A JAPANESE DELEGATION HEADED  
BY JCAB DIR-GEN NAKAMURA  
WILL VISIT PEKING IN MID-MARCH TO DISCUSS THIS ISSUE  
AND SEEK PRC AGREEMENT ON KARAKORAM OVERFLIGHT RIGHTS  
FOR JAL. IF NEGOTIATIONS SUCCEED, JAL WILL CONSIDER  
OPENING A NEW ROUTE BEYOND PEKING TO PARIS, ACCORDING  
TO JAL OFFICIAL IN CHARGE OF CHINA SERVICES. POSSIBLE  
(ALTERNATIVE) ROUTES TO BE STUDIED INCLUDE (A) TOKYO-  
PEKING-KARACHI-CAIRO-ATHENS-PARIS AND (B) TOKYO-PEKING-  
TEHRAN-ATHENS-PARIS.  
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